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IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

Applicants : Tohru Ishitani, et al.  
Serial No. : 09/943,262  
Filed : August 30, 2001  
For : SCANNING CHARGED-ARTICLE MICROSCOPE  
Group Art Unit : 2853 Confirmation No: 8263  
Examiner : Lam S. Nguyen

RESPONSE TO OFFICE ACTION

**Mail Stop - Amendment**  
Commissioner for Patents  
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Sir:

In response to the Office Action mailed June 30, 2006, kindly amend the application as follows: